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Dear Sir:

This paper is an Information Disclosure Statement ("IDS") for, and contains remarks about, the accompanying patent application, which is a divisional application under 35 U.S.C. § 121 of United States Patent Application No. 10/162,518, filed June 4, 2002, now allowed, which is a divisional application under 35 U.S.C. § 121 of United States Patent Application No. 09/254,384, filed March 2, 1999, which is a §371 of PCT/US97/14859, filed August 22, 1997, which claims benefit of priority from United States Provisional Patent Application Nos. 60/025,062, filed September 4, 1996, and 60/055,713, filed August 7, 1997.

Please enter the following remarks and IDS in the present application.

REMARKS

Applicants herein make available to the Patent and Trademark Office the following copending cases, parent and first divisional applications, respectively, cited by the applicant, to the USPTO in the present application:

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The Examiner is requested to consider carefully the claims of these applications in connection with the examination of the above-identified application in accord with 37 CFR §1.104(a). It is believed the Examiner will concur with applicant's belief that the subject matter presently claimed is neither claimed nor obvious by the foregoing application.

In this regard, Applicants note that the instant second divisional application differs from the parent application in the following respects:

- (1) A cross-reference to related applications has been added after the title;
- (2) Original Claims 1 to 33 have been deleted; and

(3) Instant Claims 1, 2, and 3 are presented that correspond to original Claims 20, 32, and 34, respectively, wherein the original claims have been amended as described below. Claims 1 and 2 are original Claims 20 and 32 that have been amended to literally recite subject matter that was previously by reference to original Claim 1. Further, Claims 1 to 3 are original Claims 20, 32, and 34 that have been amended to delete the term "prodrugs" therefrom, insert the particular esters thereof and amides thereof from the specification on page 23, at lines 11-16 and 17-24, respectively, and insert language that states literally what was previously disclosed by inference regarding the point of bonding of the S(=O)₂M group to the position numbered benzo ring of Formula I.

No new matter is added.

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Applicants also herein make available to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office copies of one Form PTO-1449 and three Forms PTO-892 from the parent application and one Form PTO/SB/08A and one Form PTO-892 from the first divisional application. The Forms PTO-1449 and PTO/SB/08A list certain references cited by the applicants, while Forms PTO-892 list certain references cited by Examiners during prosecution of the parent and first divisional applications.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider carefully the complete text of these cited references in connection with the examination of the above-identified application in accord with 37 CFR §1.104(a).

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It is respectfully requested that all cited references considered by the Examiner be listed in the "References Cited" portion of any patent issuing from the instant application (MPEP § 1302.12).

A prompt and favorable examination is earnestly solicited.

The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is hereby authorized to charge any payment of fees required for this communication, or credit any overpayment of fees, to deposit account 23-0455.

The undersigned would welcome a telephone call from the Examiner to discuss any matters.

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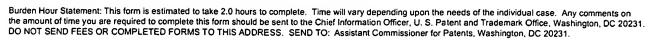
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